

United States Mint Launches Boy Scouts Commemorative Coin at National Money Show™ in Fort Worth, Texas

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FORT WORTH, Texas — United States Mint Director Ed Moy today launched the 2010 Boy Scouts of America Centennial Silver Dollar at the American Numismatic Association's National Money Show in the Fort Worth Convention Center. Moy was joined by Bob Mazzuca, the Chief Scout Executive of the Boy Scouts of America. The ceremony featured a special testimonial video by Judge William Sessions, the former director of the Federal Bureau of Investigations, and his son, Congressman Pete Sessions of Texas, the lead Congressional sponsor of the legislation authorizing the coin's production.

"The Boy Scouts of America Centennial Silver Dollar design combines the organization's tradition and its evolution over the past century as a bastion of leadership, service and community for all the youth of America," said Moy. "I am honored to present this coin to the millions of Americans who benefit from their affiliation with the Boy Scouts of America."

The 2010 Boy Scouts of America Centennial Silver Dollar commemorates the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Nation's largest youth organization. The Boy Scouts of America Centennial Commemorative Coin Act (Public Law 110-363) authorizes the United States Mint to mint and issue up to 350,000 silver dollar coins in proof and uncirculated qualities. Surcharges from sales of the coin are authorized to be paid to the National Boy Scouts of America Foundation, which will make funds available to local councils in the form of grants for the extension of Scouting in hard-to-serve areas.

"We are deeply honored that the contributions of Scouting are being recognized with a special commemorative coin that not only celebrates our rich legacy, but also helps to raise funds to support the next generation of Scouting leaders," said Mr. Mazzuca. "Scouting brings families and communities together to prepare America's youth to live with character and integrity while at work and play, and the financial gift from the coin will help continue this into our next century of service."

The coin's obverse (heads side) design is by United States Mint Artistic Infusion Program Master Designer Donna Weaver. It depicts a Cub Scout in the foreground with a Boy Scout and female Venturer in the background saluting, with the inscriptions *CONTINUING THE JOURNEY, 1910, 2010, IN GOD WE TRUST* and *LIBERTY*.

The coin's reverse (tails side) design was sculpted by United States Mint Sculptor-Engraver Jim Licaretz. It features the Boy Scouts of America's universal emblem, with the inscriptions *UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA, BE PREPARED, E PLURIBUS UNUM* and *ONE DOLLAR*.

Digital images of the 2010 Boy Scouts of America Centennial Silver Dollar are available at: </coins/%coin-program%/boy-scouts-of-america-centennial-silver-dollar>.

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